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From: Jean-Ellen M. Trapani, 12 Warnock Drive, Westport, CT 06880, 2030221-7439

Jean-Ellen M. Traypan: Re: Streamflow Regulations

Here are my written remarks.

My name is Jean-Ellen M. Trapani and I live in Westport, CT. I am speaking as an individual who has spent thousands of hours over the last 10 years canoeing and kayaking all over this beautiful state of Connecticut in coastal and inland waters. As a volunteer I've planned and led on-water trips for many not-for-profit organizations. The joy and sense of well-being felt by participants is hugely beneficial and these good feelings ripple through their families, their communities and the state of Connecticut, supporting the excellent quality of life many people enjoy here, which is especially critical in these hard economic times.

It is important to recognize the recreational value of our rives and the positive impact they have on people from all walks of life. I want regulations which protect our rivers. Below is a partial list of the rivers, ponds, lakes, and coastal areas I have paddled on.

I also support the comments of Martin Mador given at the hearing at 79 Elm St. on January 21, 2010.

Saugatuck River, Westport

Lake Lillinonah

Menunketesuck River, Clinton/Westbrook

CT River Creeks - Whalebone & Seldon

Salmon River, starting where it connects with the CT River, Haddam

Connecticut River Estuary Canoe/Kayak Trail, Essex

Thames River, Norwich, Montville, New London,

Charles E. Wheeler State Wildlife Area, Milford (salt water marsh)

Housatonic, Milford, to upriver (usually Shelton) and back

Lake Wintergreen, Hamden

Great Island, Old Lyme

Farmington River, Avon

Stewart B. McKinney Wildlife Refuge: Great Meadows Unit, Stratford (Pleasure Beach area)

Mystic River

Farm River State Park Paddle, East Haven/Branford

Ash Creek Open Space, Fairfield

Silver Lake, Berlin

Lake Waramaug, Warren/Kent/Washington

East & West Twin Lakes, Salisbury

Lieutenant River, Old Lyme

Burr Pond State Park, Torrington

Mansfield Hollow Lake, Mansfield

Powers Lake, East Lyme

Lake Quonnipaug, North Guilford

Mattabessett River Water Trail, Cromwell

Pomperaug River, Woodbury/Southbury

West Hill Pond, Barkhamsted

Hopeville Pond, Griswold

Lantern Hill Hike/Kayak Long Pond, N. Stonington

Bigelow Hollow State Park, Union

East River, Guilford/Madison area

Black Pond, Middlefield

Squantz Pond, Danbury area

Seth Low Pierrepont Pond, Ridgefield

Quinebog River and West Thompson Lake, North Grosvenordale

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